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12. (Amended) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of diabetes mellitus, conditions associated with diabetes mellitus and certain complications thereof, in a human or non-human mammal which comprises administering an effective, non-toxic, amount of hydrate according to claim 1 to a human or non-human mammal in need thereof.

REMARKS

The above-identified application is being entered into the National Phase from PCT application No. PCT/GB00/01521.

Applicants have amended the claims to put them in conformity with U.S. practice.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

No new matter has been introduced.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

An abstract has been added.

In the Claims:

Claims 9-11 have been canceled.

- 1. (Amended) 5-[4-[2-(N-methyl-N-(2-pyridyl)amino)ethoxy]benzyl]thiazolidine-2,4-dione, hydrochloride dihydrate [characterized in that it] comprising:
- (ii) provides an infrared spectrum containing peaks at 3392, 2739, 1751, 1325 and 713 cm⁻¹; and/or
- (ii) provides an X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) pattern containing peaks at 9.1, 12.0, 15.7, 16.3 and 19.8 °2θ.
- 3. (Amended) A hydrate according to claim 1 [or claim 2], which provides an X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) pattern substantially in accordance with Figure II.
- 4. (Amended) A hydrate according to [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 3], in isolated form.
- 5. (Amended) A hydrate according to [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 4], in pure form.
- 6. (Amended) A hydrate according to [any one of] claim[s] 1 [to 5], in crystalline form.
- 12. (Amended) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of diabetes mellitus, conditions associated with diabetes mellitus and certain complications thereof, in a human or non-human mammal which comprises administering an effective, non-toxic, amount of hydrate according to claim 1 to a human or non-human mammal in need thereof.